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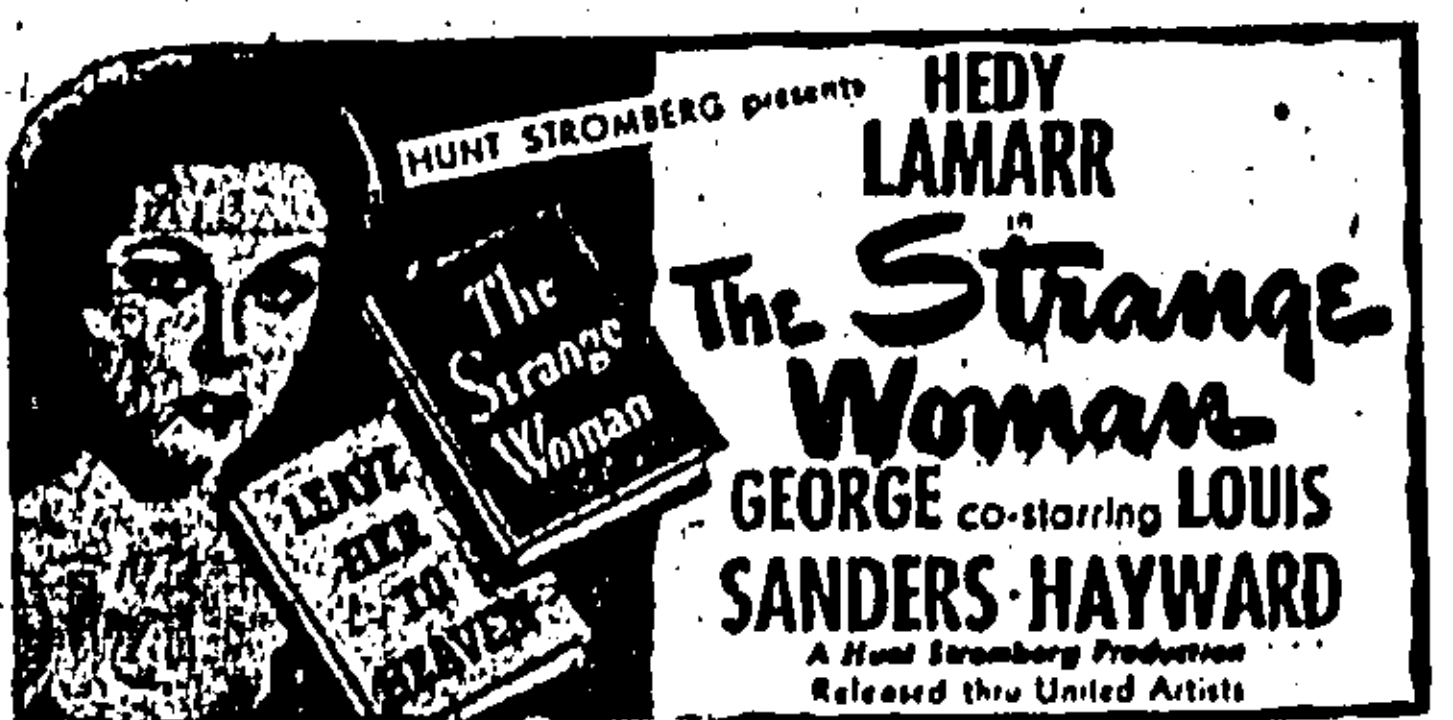
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# Crisis Believed Developing Over Letter Issued To POWs In Korea

**Dispute  
Over An  
Oasis**

**Saudi Arabia Makes  
Allegations**

London, Sept. 28.  
Saudi Arabia today accused Britain of threatening to kill anyone who tried to enter Hamasa village in the disputed Buraimi Oasis, on the Persian Gulf, now being blockaded by British-led local troops.

A Saudi Arabian Embassy statement said: "The British authorities issued a notice on September 24 warning all persons intending to enter Hamasa that they will be killed."

The statement added that this British action was intended to "excuse the use of criminal and terrorist acts and the killing of the innocent so that the inhabitants will submit to their authority."

The Oasis, believed to be rich in oil, contains eight villages. Saudi Arabia claims all of them. The Sultan of Muscat and Oman and the Sheikh of Abu Dhabi, who have treaties with Britain, dispute this claim. Britain is acting on behalf of the Sultan and the Sheikh.

Britain and Saudi Arabia last week blamed each other for shooting incidents in the Oasis earlier this month.

The frontiers between Saudi Arabia and the British-protected Trucial Sheikdoms on the Persian Gulf have never been defined in modern times.

Emir Turki Bin Etishan is the leader of the approximately 100-strong Saudi Arabian force garrisoning the village of Hamasa, which he occupied last year.

Britain then made it clear that anyone trying to visit or take large-scale supplies to Emir Turki would be barred.—Reuter.

**NEW PAKISTAN  
SHIPYARD**

Karachi, Sept. 28.  
The Government of Pakistan has sanctioned a sum of 15 million rupees for the construction of a shipyard at Keamari, which will build ships for the merchant navy and carry out repairs. The scheme for the shipyard was prepared by a German firm last year.

The construction, which will be effected by the Pakistan Industrial Development Finance Corporation, will start immediately, and will be completed within two years' time, according to reliable information.—China Mail Special.

## "Ratification Of Arms Pact By France Possible"

New York, Sept. 28.  
Former French Premier Antoine Pinay believed there is a good chance that his country will ratify the European Arms Pact.

M. Pinay, now a member of the French Parliament, said: "If the necessary effort to enlighten French public opinion about the European Arms Pact is made and if the necessary guarantees are given there is a good chance for ratification."

He named as the necessary guarantees: "1—Settlement of the Suez question, 2—Some participation on the part of the British and 3—Additional protocols."

Asked if the establishment of an overall political authority to govern the European defences was not also a necessary guarantee, M. Pinay said: "I don't believe it is a condition of ratification but in a way it is a condition of the implementation of the treaty."

M. Pinay declined to comment on Premier Laniel's recent speech in which M. Laniel praised economic gains made since he became Premier. He refused to comment on French Under-Secretary of State Maurice Schuman's suggestion before the United Nations that France might negotiate a peace with the Communists in Indo-China.

M. Pinay hopes to meet President Eisenhower but he told newsmen it would be improper to reveal what he expects to discuss with the American President. While in New York, M. Pinay is to address the Council on

The first major crisis of the post-armistice period in Korea is forming over the issue of a letter distributed by the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission to Chinese anti-Communist prisoners held in custody by Indian forces, observers here believe.

The United Nations today protested that the letter was Communist-inspired and was aimed at influencing prisoners to return to Communism. An Indian spokesman countered with a statement that the letter was "completely neutral."

Up to this point in the work of the Neutral Nations Commission there has been little friction and the Indians, who are considered "neutral neutrals"—the Communists refer to the Czechs and Poles as "our neutrals" and Swedes and Swiss as "your (United Nations) neutrals"—have not been forced to make any decisions.

Now, however, the issue of mechanics of "explaining" to the prisoners has put the Indian group in the position of favouring one side or the other, for the United Nations said the Communists are strongly insisting on opposite terms.

"Explanations" have already been postponed for a period of five days because of the inability of the Neutral Nations Repatriation Commission to come to a firm decision.

All United Nations officers have had high regard for the manner in which Indian custodian troops have carried out their mission of guarding prisoners.

Some officers, however, believe that Indian officials have been rather naïve about the actions of the Communists and points to what the United Nations termed as "inadequate" facilities for explaining built by the Communists.

### ASTONISHED

United Nations officers say they went to the Indians and asked what facilities the Indians wished and that the United Nations engineers built according to the Indian specification.

They assumed that the Communist side was doing the same thing but when an inspection group finally visited the Communist built explaining facilities after being delayed several days by what they termed "Communist stalling," they were astonished to find small nine-by-15 feet huts.

United Nations officers were even more amazed to realise that the Indians had been unaware of what the Communists had built.

United Nations officers privately felt that the Communists had "put one over on the Indians." The officers said this was one incident that showed the naïveté

### WRONG IMPRESSION

The United Nations complaints that the letter does not bring the prisoners' right to refuse repatriation. All references in the letter to rights of the prisoners follow in quoted excerpts: "The NNRC function is to guarantee on your behalf your right to exercise your right to be repatriated."

"No one can prevent you from returning to your home. Nor will any one be allowed to force you to return to your home."

"We will penalize anyone who attempts to prevent you from returning home or who attempts

Seoul, Sept. 28.

to force you to return home."

"Will inform you of all that concerns your returning home."

"Will inform you of your peaceful life and complete freedom in union with your returning home."

"Those of you who desire to be repatriated will be immediately repatriated to your homes. Many among you who expressed their desire to be repatriated to their homes were immediately released from our custody and have already been repatriated (out of more than 20,000 anti-Communist prisoners in Indian custody less than 100 have so far desired repatriation)."

"Those among you who have not yet exercised their rights to be repatriated after the end of the 90-day period."

"You can freely go to neutral nations. If you desire to return to your fatherland you can still go."

Another part of the letter the United Nations said gave the wrong impression to the prisoners is the end of the letter.

It said: "We came here to save you, to protect you from any form of coercion. Please believe us with your heart."

But United Nations officers said preponderance of the rights mentioned above was the right to be repatriated.

Some observers say that this issue puts squarely in the middle and is just an indication of the wrong impression that will follow the remainder of the time the prisoners are in custody.

They also say that the whole prisoners' issue is a propaganda issue and neither side is truly interested in individuals but only in scoring a propaganda victory.

show the world.—China Mail Special.

## Canada Most Popular

Wiesbaden, Sept. 28.  
More than half the emigrants from West Germany in the second quarter of this year went to Canada, the West Germany statistics bureau said.

A total of 27,892 people emigrated from West Germany in the first half of this year. Of the 18,939 emigrants in the second quarter 11,025 went to Canada, 4,405 to the United States, 1,820 to Australia, 625 to the Union of South Africa and 493 to Brazil and Argentina.

Only 314 sought a new life in European countries, of whom 44 went to France and 34 to Britain.

Immigrants to West Germany in the second quarter totaled 3,958, of whom 1,887 came from Australia and 1,644 from Yugoslavia.—China Mail Special.

## Court Rights A Wrong

Rome, Sept. 28.  
Two Italians, who spent eight years of a more than 20-year sentence in prison for a murder they did not commit, were released today.

The court, which had sentenced them, established their innocence by sentencing two other men to similar terms for the same murder.—Reuter.

## Reichs Party Officials Get Prison Terms

Dortmund, Sept. 28.  
A German court today sentenced seven former officials of the banned Neo-Nazi Socialist Reichs Party (SRP) to prison terms ranging from six to 10 months for endangering the State and for violating a court order.

Five of them were put on probation until October, 1955. If they do not offend during that time they will not have to serve their sentences.

A group of nine men was alleged to have planned the holding of SRP meetings last year though the party's appearance in public had already been forbidden by the West German Constitutional Court at Karlsruhe.

The prosecution had said one of the meetings had been intended to found a cover organization of the SRP under the name of "National Rally Movement."

Two of the group were acquitted.—Reuter.

## Keeping Eye On Pearlers

Melbourne, Sept. 28.  
The Australian Government has enough planes and naval ships in the Darwin area to police the new licensing system for Japanese pearlers, the Melbourne Sun Pictorial reported from Canberra today.

The newspaper said that if pearlers did not move into the licence-free area by October 12, when the licensing regulations take effect, "their ships will be arrested and taken to Darwin where the masters will be tried. The penalty under the existing Pearling Fisheries Act is a fine of Australian £500 plus forfeiture of ship, equipment and shell."

The Sun Pictorial said the Australian Government had ex-ambassador, Mr. Haruhiko Nishi, what procedures pearlers must follow if they wished to fish in proclaimed Australian waters.—Reuter.

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# TRUMAN ATTACKS ISOLATIONISTS

*Demands Strengthening Of "Alliance Of Free Men"*

## Ex-President's Denunciation Of The "False Prophets"

New York, Sept. 28.

Former President Harry Truman tonight demanded a drive against the "return to isolationism in the United States and a strengthening of the 'great alliance of free men'."

He was given the "Four Freedoms" of the Four Freedoms Foundation by Mr. Dean Acheson, former Secretary of State, at a New York dinner.

The ex-President said that as a nation the United States should "show our leadership by setting our faces sternly against false prophets here and abroad."

"We have to give the world an example to help set the tone of the community of free nations," Mr. Truman said. "We have to understand the basic pillars of our American foreign policy and support them regardless of partisanship. We have to know them when we see them, and I suggest that they are:

- "1. A renewed and reinvigorated reciprocal trade program.
- "2. A strong defence—a really strong defence.
- "3. Support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation.
- "4. Support of European unity.
- "5. Support of the Rio Pact (the mutual security pact signed

by 19 out of 22 States of North and South America in September 1947—Canada, Nicaragua and Ecuador abstaining).

### PEACE EFFORTS

- "6. Support of the Pacific Alliance.
- "7. Technical assistance and economic aid for the underdeveloped countries.
- "8. The willingness, in firm agreement with our Allies and from a position of united strength, to seek in all sincerity solutions of our differences with the Soviet bloc through patient and peaceful negotiation.
- "9. Support of the United Nations."

Mr. Truman began his speech by outlining the ideals which led the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt to found the Four Freedoms Foundation. He said its award each year since 1940—to formulate the famous "Four Freedoms" during the war.

"We must fight to make these four freedoms live," he said.

### "MISERABLE BUSINESS"

Mr. Truman said that "this whole miserable business is not so very different from the ugly tactics of the old-fashioned isolationists" before the United States came into World War II.

"The old isolationists became by dint of circumstances the new nationalists, the new 'isolationists'." Mr. Truman said that if these foundations were "recognised and built on with confidence and enthusiasm" we can preserve the free world community.

"This is our most solemn obligation. We must keep and strengthen the grand alliance of free men and to do that we must have sympathy and understanding for our friends, even when they differ with us."

"I do not say this out of any mere softness towards foreigners. I say it in the interest of the United States," he added.

Mr. Truman said it was not charity alone but self-preservation that led the United States into "that great series of mutual undertakings" from lend-lease through the Marshall Plan to Mutual Security Programme of today.

"It was self-preservation but it was more than that—it was also the way, the only way to move us forward toward the great goals of the four freedoms. Only the whole free community—we and our Allies together, our resources and theirs combined—is strong."

## Red Cross Appeal To Big Powers On Missing POWs

Frankfurt, Sept. 28. A senior German Red Cross official today appealed to the big powers and to the Germans not to make a propaganda issue out of the German prisoners of war still held in the Soviet Union.

Dr Kurt Wagner, head of the tracing service of the German Red Cross, wrote in the latest issue of the periodical Der Heimkehrer (the Homecomer) that far fewer prisoners were still held in Russia than was generally believed.

It was the duty of Germans to prevent the question of prisoners still held in Russia from being used again and again as a "handy matter for mutual accusations" by the big powers.

Dr Wagner said it was a "crime to the relatives of men still missing to accuse the Soviet Union of holding a far higher number of men and women than was true." Mention of such "irresponsible" figures also did the prisoners "more harm than good because it might make it more difficult for countries holding them to return them home."

Dr Wagner said it was time to tell the relatives of missing soldiers frankly that they should not hope for their return. It was known that a

large number of German soldiers died in the last stage of the war without their deaths having been recorded and that many of these taken prisoners had not survived the hardships of the first few months of captivity.

He said the return of no more than a few tens thousands of prisoners from the Soviet Union should be expected. The Red Cross had established by questioning returning prisoners that most of the 1,117,000 men reported missing after having been taken prisoner were no longer alive.

In a report of the Red Cross tracing service published in the same issue of the periodical the number of German soldiers still missing was given as 1,272,000, of whom 87 per cent had been fighting on the Eastern Front when they were last heard of. The article said that the fate of most of an estimated 1,400,000 missing civilians was unknown. Though it had been established that 750,000 of these had been deported, all to East European countries, the fate of only a few of them was known.

### Meeting Of Marshals



Two famous figures of World War II meet in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, as Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery shakes hands with Marshal Tito. Field-Marshal Montgomery was in Yugoslavia to watch army manoeuvres.—Central Press Photo.

## Britain Keeps An Open Mind On Jap Rearmament

London, Sept. 28.

The British Government has an open mind on Japan's present plan to make its National Security Force into a "defence force" with 250,000 armed men, jet aircraft and aircraft carriers.

Authoritative sources today said Britain had no strong views on this question. Two main reasons for this are that Japan is a sovereign State, and that the 1951 Japanese peace treaty placed no restrictions on armament.

But officials here noted that the Japanese constitution itself prohibits the country from having armed forces.

Mr. Shigeru Yoshida and Mr. Mamoru Shigemitsu, President of the Opposition Progressive Party, recently agreed on a new policy to give Japan protection against "indirect as well as direct" aggression.

But the Japanese Socialist party have attacked this agreement.

Discussions on this will shortly take place in Washington between the United States Government and Japanese representatives.

When the Japanese peace treaty was being negotiated, Australia and New Zealand expressed grave fears about giving Japan the freedom to rearm.

These fears were also shared by opinion in Britain, particularly in the Labour Party, which was then in power.

Australian fears were overcome by the American security guarantee to the two Commonwealth dominions in the ANZUS Pacific defence alliance of 1951.

Like her Allies, Britain is deeply conscious that a Japan strong enough to protect herself against any aggression is a vital aspect of general peace and security in the Far East.

Mr. John Foster Dulles, the United States Secretary of State, recently expressed concern about Japan's slowness to help ensure her own safety.—China Mail Special.

### REVIEW IN TOKYO

Tokyo, Sept. 28. The National Safety Board (Defence Ministry) spokesman said today that about 1,650 National Safety Corps men and 30 planes would take part in a review to be held at the training ground in Nerima, a suburb of Tokyo, on October 15 to mark the first anniversary of the establishment of the Japanese embryonic army.

Director Tokutaro Kimura of the National Safety Board is expected to review NSC members, the spokesman said.—China Mail Special.

### AUSTRALIAN REACTION

Sydney, Sept. 28. The Sydney Daily Telegraph said today that "indirect aggression" was "a neat Japanese evasion which could mean anything Japan's leaders want it to mean."

This was all the more reason for closely watching Japanese leaders, this newspaper said in an editorial comment on the Japanese announcement that her defence force would be to "defend herself from indirect as well as direct aggression."

"Fortunately this promise of American aid against aggression under the Anzus Pact gives us a sense of security in the face of a rearming Japan," the Telegraph added.

The Sydney Morning Herald said editorially: "From the stage of rearming, while proceeding not to help Japan, the police have, in a phase of 1953, and

## Scepticism In Europe Over Future Of The US Economy

London, Sept. 28.

Dr Gabriel Hauge, who is described as President Eisenhower's personal economic adviser, has been in Paris and London to "reassure" Europeans that the U.S. is going to maintain reasonable economic stability and a large supply of dollars to the world. On both points he confesses that he is meeting some scepticism.

It is some time since one observed the return of the terminology of recession, the ugly word "repossessions" for instance. Repossessions of television sets in the U.S. have been rising for months. Now one records the return of a still uglier phrase: sez you.

The sceptics will change their tune if Wall Street recovers. In all countries Wall Street is being watched with fascinated anxiety.

But business, consider. When U.S. Treasury Secretary Snyder did the same jaunt in the late summer of 1949, the U.S. seaboard had run its course; it could be seen to be no more than an inventory correction and a pause in an upswing; and, at that, it was still to touch off a round of devaluations. At present, whatever is coming (if anything) is still to come.

Forecasts in Washington range from a pause to a recession. The recession, if any, is not expected to go beyond 5 or 10 per cent, unless enhanced by nervousness. There is plenty of nervousness and, if it failed to make matters worse, a recession of 5 or 10 per cent would itself be far worse than 1949 when all that really happened was that U.S. business was temporarily stopped rising, and even that was more than the rest of the world could take.

Having somewhat strengthened itself since then, the rest of the world could now take more than in 1949: it may or may not have more to take. Incidentally, even if the present nervousness is regarded as originating from Wall Street rather than from the various weaknesses in U.S. business, there may still be more of it to come. For example, it was early foreseen that, because of the coming tax cuts and the mass of paper losses that could be taken to forestall them, this would be a bad autumn for "tax selling."

In fact, the scope for such selling is likely to be the biggest since 1946, the year when Wall Street's break after Labour Day started the only real bear market in the post-war period.

Sooner or later circumstances would have compelled her to re-align irrespective of American or other desires.

"Where her rearmament measures, once fairly started, will stop, and to what uses she will eventually put her 'self-defence forces' are questions that Australians among other Pacific peoples may ponder with some foreboding."—Reuter.

### EVATT'S WARNING

Sydney, Sept. 28. The Federal Opposition leader, Dr. Herbert Evatt, warned today that Japan's "aggressive spirit of nationalism" could become a direct military and economic threat to Australia.

Dr. Evatt, who was commenting on Tokyo reports that Japan had taken the first steps toward partial rearmament to allow withdrawal of American forces, continued: "Under the guise of rearmament, Japan could once more try an aggressive action in the South Pacific. It is absolutely essential for Australia to keep the closest watch on the form and content of Japanese rearmament."

The spirit of aggressive expansion and shown itself in the re-establishment of Japanese pearl fishing near Australia. This, he said, was "nothing but a smoke screen for other activities."

At the time negotiations were being conducted by the Federal Government, Dr. Evatt, speaking for the Opposition, said: "Japan took the law into her own hands. There would be no safeguard against their breaking the terms of the licence they would now apparently receive as they systematically before the war, no added.—Reuter.

Optimists for sterling remark that the recent easiness of the spot rate did not widen the discount on the various kinds of "commercial sterling." So far as it goes, this is encouraging. The discount have narrowed tremendously in the past year or so, and are now only 2 or 4 per cent more than the 20 per cent or more at one time. But, from their recent peaks, transferable and similar varieties have fallen fully as much as the spot rate; switch sterling (security sterling) a little more. So while the discounts have not appreciably widened, they have lightly tended to widen; they have definitely not taken the opportunity to narrow, as would have happened if commercial sterling had been independently strong and as much as happen if sterling is to move towards convertibility.

If there is anything in the banker's view that the bear position built up against sterling in any future crisis could be very much greater than those of 1949 and 1951, commercial sterling could still cause trouble.

STILL TOO LARGE Britain's sterling liabilities—the sterling balances—are still far too large. Japan's export income, of being at her wit's end for sterling until she can bring herself to buy some with dollars, is not universal.

Argentina's sterling balance, which at one time was virtually paid out, must now be nearer £20 million than the £20 million towards which the Argentine authorities strove as a ceiling. A report that it has reached £40 million, though it comes from a good source, cannot be confirmed. (The Bank of England does not disclose the accounts of other central banks which it regards as "its clients.") But after Argentine sales of £250 million to Britain in the first half of this year and purchases

of less than £54 million, Argentina's sterling balance is certainly far higher than it was. It could be and probably is regarded as representing merely the arrears of Argentine import licences. As those are now being granted, the sterling balance stands to be worked off. But while the balance might or might not arise, it is known in Argentina and elsewhere that sterling balances can be (though they are not supposed to be) used for purposes other than purchases and payments in sterling. It has recently been remarked in a Belgian business quarter that the quickest way to obtain "finance dollars" is to dog commercial sterling in New York. The remark did not appear to be sinister—it was more like a coincidence—but Belgium's role in the sterling crisis of 1947, 1948 and 1951 is not forgotten. The difficulty is that, while convertibility of sterling is now generally admitted to be premature until the U.S. takes certain actions which competent Washington observers do not expect until 1955 at the earliest, sterling is de facto convertible through the markets in commercial sterling. That has been true all along. It gave no trouble in sterling's favour. But it used to give trouble when the confidence factors were the other way, and might do so again if Wall Street or any other developments turn them again.—China Mail Special.

### Gravest Menace In Asia

New York, Sept. 28. Mr. J. M. Elsalde, Philippines Foreign Affairs Secretary, told the United Nations General Assembly today: "We still maintain that the area of gravest menace is today to be found in Southeast Asia."

Mr. Elsalde, first speaker in the afternoon session of the Assembly's general debate on world problems, added: "We must stress, therefore, the point that the greatest efforts towards world peace must be exerted in this area."

"For this reason, we see the necessity of a policy of close co-operation and friendly understanding among the peoples of Asia."

The Philippines, Mr. Elsalde said, would continue to be gravely concerned with the problem of peace in Korea and Indo-China.

It would be their purpose, he added, to participate to the limits of their resources in all efforts to "resist the fast-growing acts of infiltration and subversion in our part of the world."

"Southeast Asia is an area of great trial for the United Nations," he said.

"That trial is only the beginning, and the end is still far off. The outcome will determine whether political freedom, security and economic well-being will become a reality in the lives of the peoples of Southeast Asia."

Mr. Elsalde said that Southeast Asia was often represented as a power vacuum. But it was a vacuum waiting to be filled only with a measure of security, economic development and social justice.

The ultimate answer to the Communist menace in the area must be considered in terms other than those of direct military action. The solution must be worked out on the basis of a long-term general programme of social, economic and political development and a more sympathetic understanding of the history, culture and tradition.—Reuter.

To Expand Output

Washington, Sept. 28. The United States Air Force announced today that it planned to expand production of the Boeing B-52 jet bomber and the North American F-100 super sonic jet fighter.

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 3 Scan, 7 Miner, 9 Unit, 10 Lawn, 12 Recluse, 13 Sled, 15 Defer, 16 Bent, 18 Aisle, 21 Aisle, 22 Spur, 23 Tepid, 24 Last, 26 Mediate, 30 Amid, 31 Dear, 32 Anger, 33 Tost. Down: 1 Rider, 2 Derided, 4 Cense, 5 Numb, 6 Fine, 8 Left, 11 Tinct, 13 Hair, 14 Deep, 16 Rapid, 17 Fall, 18 Bias, 20 Radiant, 22 Sped, 24 Emile, 25 Strow, 27 Agony, 28 Tart.

### Greek Red Arrested

Athens, Sept. 28. A leading member of the outlawed Greek Communist Party, named G. Gheorghiu, has been arrested. M. P. Lykoveras, Minister of the Interior, announced today. Gheorghiu was said to have been in charge of all Communist clandestine publications in the Athens area since 1947. His secret printing plant, hidden in a grotto, has been discovered.—Reuter.

### SURPRISE MOVE BY DR MALAN

Capetown, Sept. 29. The South African House of Assembly (Lower House) yesterday unexpectedly adjourned till today just when it was due to debate the controversial Malan Bill to establish a court of constitutional appeal.

This left it an open question whether the Cabinet, which met yesterday morning, had decided not to go forward with the Bill this session, or whether it had not yet come to a decision on the point.

The Bill is another move in the Nationalist Government's unsuccessful two-year struggle to separate coloured (mixed race) voters from white voters on the Cape Province electoral rolls.

The adjournment was moved by the leader of the House, Finance Minister Nicolaas Havenga.

Apart from the new Bill, the Assembly's programme this session is complete except for legislation returning from the Senate for final approval.

Four United Party (Opposition) "rebels" appealed to Dr Daniel Malan, the Prime Minister, on Friday to withdraw the appeal court Bill so that some "peaceful" way might be found to implement his intention of restricting franchise rights of the coloured voters.

The Bill was tabled after the Government's failure to obtain a two-thirds majority for a Bill to validate the Separate Representation of voters Act.—Reuter.

### Strike Postponed

Cincinnati, Sept. 28. Tentative agreement was reached last night between the United States Rubber Company and the CIO United Rubber Workers Union postponing strike of some 35,000 employees.—United Press.

### A British Crossword Puzzle

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# Mr KORONIN FIGHTS MALENKOV from No. 61

by John Clarke

THE message in the leaflet began: "Dear Reader. You TOO may become a sponsor of the heroic RRF (Russian Revolutionary Forces) boys, who are leading a deadly struggle against the Red monster of the Kremlin inside and outside the Communist hell..."

The message ended: "N.B. You can send from your country cash or cheque in REGISTERED LETTERS ONLY to the following address: ..."; and in the space left blank below, was rubber-stamped the name of George Koronin, whose own description of himself is "political head" of the Revolutionary Forces.

His address, provided by the rubber-stamp is one, to judge from what he says, that causes a good deal of uneasiness in Moscow.

It is No. 61, in a sleepy Hampstead road, whose tall, grey terraced houses are nowadays mostly flats. It is political headquarters of the RRF, the "Revolutionaries" No. 10. It is also the home of Mr Koronin, his wife, his three children and his mother-in-law. A ground-floor flat.

Mr Koronin showed the door to me, and opened me into a large untidy room, whose furnishings included a sofa in a

☆ Who could guess the surprising things that go on in the quiet side-roads of London? Here in Hampstead, a rubber-stamp revolutionary is waging a pamphlet war with Russia.

After schooling, he worked for a firm of painters and decorators ("I have been a workman, a housepainter like Hitler") and later had his own interior decorating business.

Five years ago he decided the RRF demanded all his time but being its political head is not a lucrative job, he said. "If I were a business man I should have much more money. I shouldn't have furniture like this," he slapped the sides of his armchair, which bent before the blows. "And I shouldn't wear dirty old clothes like this. He had on a crumpled grey flannel, a navy-blue jacket.

Not even 6/4d.

TO supplement the inadequate income RRF provides, his Russian wife goes out to teach the language.

A man in my position ought to have two or three secretaries, Koronin said, "but RRF funds are largely a matter of luck. There is no regular source of income. If we were to be given a subsidy, now..."

He silently contemplated that remote happy prospect. "It's hard going," he said. "Thousands of millions of dollars are spent on defence, yet we, the only effective weapon, don't get 6/4d. And it's not as though we need much. This job needn't cost more than the maintenance of a single army division. And," he said, intelling the words by his tone: "Bolsheviks know what we could do—they were conspirators once, here in London..."

In other ways, Koronin seemed to think the West displayed a curiously attitude towards RRF.

"It would help a great deal if we could use the diplomatic bag, for instance," he said "or have dagger boys to check people. But no."

Few experts

HE made a despairing gesture, and returned to the grim picture of the world situation as it looked to the RRF—Britain and America bungling, blundering, floundering; the Asian countries all plums ripe for Russian picking; "and what is Europe but a lot of little Luxemburgs?"

"Very few people are experts on Russia," he declared. "I say you are facing a showdown. I don't say it will come tomorrow. But within the next year, the next two years, the next fortnight, who knows? The Bolsheviks won't wait till you are ready. They will march, and it won't be very nice for people like you and me, who live in London."

Upon this note, he showed me out from No. 61 into the sleepy street, where, by now, I half expected to see the barricades going up. But there were only old ladies exercising their dogs, and overhead, an air of humming in from the east. I glanced up. It was one of ours.

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One of the scarlet-printed pamphlets produced by the Russian Revolutionary Forces. They are slipped into goods consigned for the Soviet.

## DRUNK SHOW RUNS OVER TEN YEARS

By Ronald Garth-Davis

TAKE a derelict photographic studio, dust off an old play straight out of the attic, sign up a few needy actors anxious for a month's work, lay in a copious supply of root beer—and the answer is \$1,000,000.

Way back in 1920 a young producer named Galt Bell was staying with his grandmother in Berkeley, California, when the old lady asked him to bring down a trunk stored in the attic and promised to show him some old-fashioned costumes. Hidden

amid the flounces and lace was the yellowed script of a play first produced by showman P.T. Barnum, "The Drunkard" or "The Fallen Sinner."

Grannie read it and roared with laughter. Galt read it and doubled up. Vowing to produce it, he took seven years to raise the money. Yet today "The Drunkard" has broken all world records for the longest run ever known.

Galt converted an old photo studio in Hollywood into a makeshift theatre and produced the play in 1933. Comes 1933 and it has achieved over 7,000 performances.

This is three times longer than the London run of "Chu Chin Chow" or double the Broadway record of the razzle "Tobacco Road." Compared with it, a 2,000-performance success such as "Worm's Eye View" is still an infant.

In nineteen years over 2,500,000 people have seen the show and paid a solid \$1,000,000 into the box office. Previous actors left the cast fought in France and returned to the old parts when the war was over. Twenty marriages have taken place between cast and house staff, and the show has reared a healthy crop of infants. One of the first, now a 16-year-old boy, will soon have a part!

### The Secret

Boris Karloff has seen the show forty times. Billy Burke, Edward Arnold and Irene Dunne are down-at-the-heels. Charlie Chaplin, Marlene Dietrich, Dick Powell and Ginger Rogers are all regulars.

Maybe the secret is beer. When he revived the old melodrama, Galt Bell decided to pad out the evening with old-time music hall atmosphere. Free beer and ham sandwiches are included in the price of admission. Altogether, sixty tons of sandwiches have been consumed. In addition, thousands of candles, birthday cakes have been awarded to people celebrating birthdays or wedding anniversaries.

At first, the waitresses and stagehands gave the musical turns. Since then every star and famous visitor in Hollywood has obliged, from Lily Pons to Mae West. In the world's most actor-populated town, "The Drunkard" can boast the world's greatest starting cast. Yet few of the authentic cast of the play have gone into movies and none have found subsequent fame.

### A Lecture

After 10 years, the play is still staged religiously, and every temptation to give it a rest. One person always stood up during Act Two to deliver a lecture on the perils of strong drink. After being escorted to the stage, he would deliver a lecture on the perils of strong drink.

When the hero turns the villain's bridle, the cheers from the audience crack the ceiling. In actual fact, it has been replaced three times. Continued encores have made the theatre one of the most luxurious in America.

Says puzzled Galt Bell: "It isn't good drama. It has no intentionally funny lines. There isn't a speck of wit. I don't know why 'The Drunkard' goes on and on. Perhaps it could only happen in Hollywood."

Nowell Rogers' America Column

## SUCKERS' DAY OUT WEST

New York. In the hot dusty town of Wetumka, Oklahoma, where men wear cowboy hats, they plan to put up a statue of a swindler.

He needed the townspeople out of hundreds of dollars. The swindler, ruddy-faced P. Bam Morrison, raised money to bring a circus to town, then vanished. There was no circus. Instead of getting mad the 2,025 Wetumkans had a brain-wave. They decided to laugh at themselves and put on an annual Suckers' Day.

The Indians put on feathers and beaded costumes and do dances. There is a barbecue. "Business men have flocks in a parade to honour the kind of swindle they fell for."

Merchant Argie Taylor has a paper elephant on his lorry because he bought two tons of hay for the circus elephant. "There are concerts, contests, and a square dance."

Now Wetumka is famous all over the Mid-West. The town has made more out of Suckers' Day than swindler Bam got from them four years ago.

Cowboy actor John Wayne, who never flinches under gunfire in the films, slept on

sweetly in his Hollywood home as a bodyguard fired six shots at a prowler trying to pry the hubcaps off Wayne's car. Scores of six misses.

A man walked into 50-year-old Harry Weiner's wine store in Los Angeles, and pulled out a gun. Harry faints.

When he revived, the bandit told him to open the till. Harry fainted again. The disguised bandit gave up, took two bottles of whisky, and walked out.

THREE Hollywood studios have offered author James Michener the \$50,000 dollars (\$53,570), he asks for the first rights of his unpublished novel "Bayanara," a Japanese Romance. It has a sort of Madame Butterfly theme.

He wrote the story on which that money-making musical "South Pacific" is based.

TWELVE cows being fed with Monodone, a vitamin substance costing a penny a month, give milk that stays sweet four times longer. "Monodone" apparently kills off the bacteria that spoils milk.

Two chemists reported the discovery to the American Chemical Society.

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THEN peering his rapid-fire talk pleasantly with short, unprintable colloquialisms, he wrote off the Christian West in its role as a clutchable straw. He was one or two percent of the population. The rest clutch at two kinds of straw—at people like me, the emigrants, and at the Christian West.

Koronin is a pale, slightly built man, "not yet 50," white-haired, with a white moustache of military cut.

He was born in St Petersburg (Leningrad), son of an officer in the Russian navy guards, a kind of sea-going Household Brigade drawn from the crews of the Imperial yachts and their escort vessels. His father is still alive, a businessman in London. He plays no part in RRF activities.

"Don't think," he said, "that we emigrate Russians want to return to the status quo of 1917—though you people here have got the wrong ideas even about that."

### Hidden leaflets

"WHITE Russians were not all people of title, you know, my dear sir. And if you'd have a title, it didn't bring you anything except a loud name. We didn't have a House of Lords. And people like Lenin and Molotov weren't really of the proletariat. They were the sort who'd have 15-pip coronets and be in Burke and Debut in this country."

He chuckled at the droll thought of Molotov in

## THE MILD MAN OF BORNEO —he's dreaming of a Garden of Eden

IF you want to be well informed on world affairs you ought to know something about the Mild Man of Borneo and his dream of a tropical Welfare State.

The Mild Man of Borneo is a charming little 5ft. fellow in spectacles called Sir Omar Ali Saifuddin (it rhymes with puddin'), and he is the 28th sultan of the British-protected, miniature State of Brunel.

His whole kingdom is hardly any larger than Norfolk, and the entire population of 50,000 would only half fill the Wembley Stadium; but, owing to some geological happenings millions of years ago, it has recently become fabulously rich.

Brunel has struck oil. It has struck so much that it doesn't know what to do with all the money. It is getting in trees, royalties, and taxes when the oil men.

If the money were evenly distributed among the inhabitants it would work out at nearly £3 a week for every man, woman, and child. And in Borneo, £3 a week is wealth.

The Malayan Petroleum Company, which is part of the Shell Group, pays the pocket State more than £7,000,000 a year, which is about 97 percent of its entire revenue and nine times as much as its national expenditure.

### The Surplus

So the money is just piling up. There is a surplus of millions already. Some of the brighter boys of Brunel suggest that the way to deal with the

situation is to share this surplus between the inhabitants (£240 a head) and then give everyone £3 a week for nothing and see what happens!

But the Mild Man of Borneo doesn't think much of that idea. Nor does the British Resident, Mr J. C. H. Barcroft, who advises the sultan on money matters. They say: Why turn Brunel into a Welfare State? A sort of Garden of Eden in the Far East in which everyone will live happily ever after?

So they have got out a five-year plan that is going to cost £11,000,000 and includes pensions for everyone over 60, pensions for widows and fatherless children, and pensions or allow-

ances for the sick, the blind, and the insane.

The principal method of transport at the moment is by river in a canoe, but the sultan's five-year plan includes roads for buses to run on, travelling dispensaries, automatic telephones, and a network of airfields.

Education will be free for all, and every child attending a State school will be given a daily free meal (rice, dried fish, and two veg.).

### The Sultan

WHAT sort of a man is this sultan with such unworldly ideas? Well, you could have seen him without realising it, in the Coronation procession. He was in the next carriage but one from the Queen of Tonga; but he had his hood up, so you may have missed him.

At home he lives quite modestly in a so-called palace on top of a hill above the town of Brunel. I went to a banquet there last year in honour of the Duchess of Kent.

All the waiters were Boy Scouts, and as there wasn't a banquet hall to hold the 200 guests we ate boiled buffalo and curried goat in the garden. There were a lot of dogs running about under the tables, and giant moths the size of bats flew overhead.

Although the sultan is entitled to several wives, he has in fact only one. They have three young children, who usually run around barefoot.

On state occasions the sultan is carried in a litter that takes 22 men to lift, and he wears silk garments something like pyjamas.

He is 37, and succeeded his brother three years ago. There was a dispute about it because some people wanted a girl of 16 on the throne.

When he came to London last year he did not stay at one of the big hotels in the West End. He lived in a suburban hotel. And instead of travelling in a litter he went by bus. A conductor corrected him once for smoking downstairs.

### The Houses

A GREAT deal of Brunel town is built on stilts over the water. The system is convenient for drainage, but you get crocodiles under the floor boards.

Nine thousand people, which is about a fifth of the population of the country, live like this, and the Welfare State plans to rescue them on land.

It will make the town more hygienic—but a lot less picturesque. (London Express Service)

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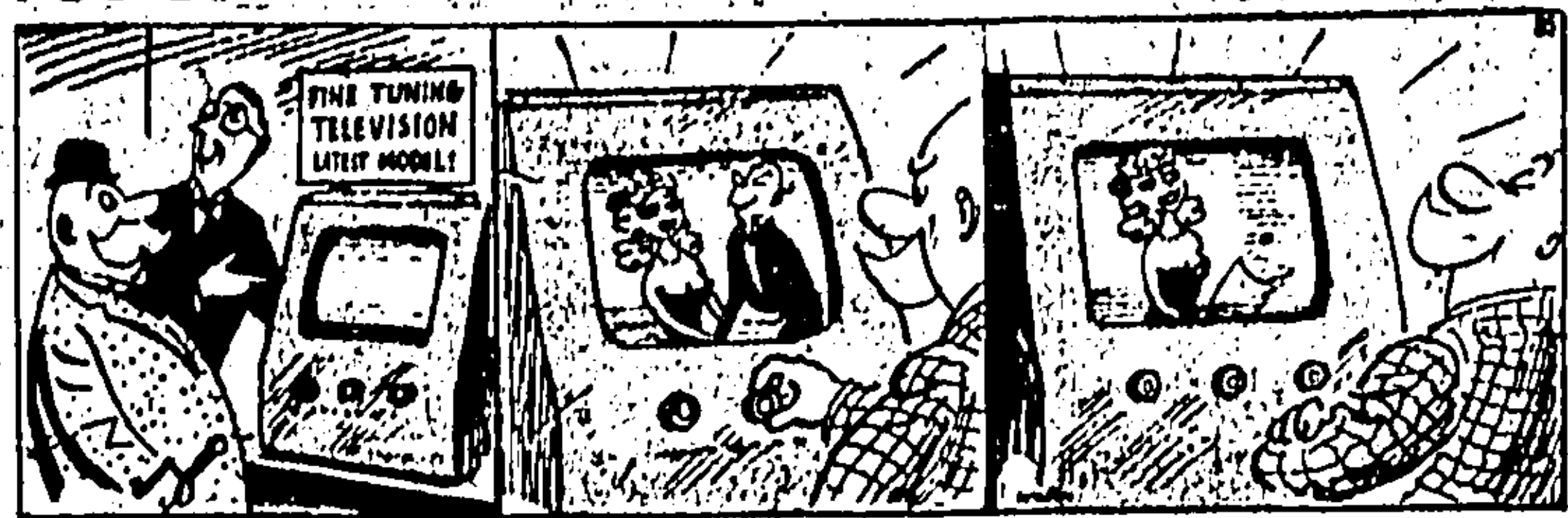
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## Colonel UP and Mr. DOWN... by Walter



## BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

A CRITIC of ballet described a dancer leaping over backwards with consummate grace until her head touched the ground as lightly as a thistle-down. Did he expect her to bang her head on the ground like a cannon-bolt?

Bona Tumbelova once tried this trick in "Le Balser du Chatelet," but she was in the wrong. To avoid him she moved to the left, lost her balance, rolled into the orchestra pit, and landed on the drum. Two dear little ballerinas laughed so heartily that they fell over a man in a leopardskin and split his arrows. They had to lower the curtain, and when they raised it again there was Tumbelova hanging on to it, and kicking out like a Woolwich Arsenal forward in a frenzy.

**Jogging along**  
A HOSTESS is reported to have said, "When you give a party, you should be strategic, but I would sooner wander about in an art gallery. A hanger-on, the type who is always just leaving the cocktail bar when the song is over, to worm their way through a meal, said once, 'Every time a hostess opens her mouth I put my foot in it.' We call it kicking her teeth in," said an American. "He didn't mean quite that, interpolated a hussy with two-ton earrings that jangled like the bells of St. Mark's."

"Anyhow," said the hanger-on, "I rather wonder round a library. 'Good,' shouted a notorious female beast in quasi-human form, 'then you can go to your library tonight instead of wasting time on dining with us.' A rueful grin quivered across his mottled face. 'I was joking,' he said, 'I wasn't,' snarled the ruthless virago as she swallowed someone else's drink.

**Smooth as an eel**  
F. D. Murphy, the only Liverpool, said in Europe, said in the Gobi Desert, is being called the only of its kind for the meeting of the British Association. It is said to be 4000 years old, and probably needs dusting. Here is a rough drawing of it which is made from memory when I was in Colcutta.

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"As long as you have the ironing board out..."

## YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

BOIN today, you are one of those positive individuals who must have his own way—or none at all. You are the type to cut off your nose to spite your face, and the saving grace. You will find life easier and much happier if you turn a slight lesson of compromise and co-operation, early in life. You have the major qualifications for leadership. If you will only develop them properly. Discover that the velvet glove covering the iron fist is not as effective in getting what you want as an aggressive display of your own power. Fortunately the stars have given you a keen sense of humor and many a time have saved you from taking yourself too seriously. You have a sense for the dramatic, too, and like to see the show. Your environment gets dull, you are just the one to start something to brighten up the scene. Anything is

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

LIDRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Be polite in everything you do. Do not make someone else's life miserable. SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)—Be practical, even when it comes to working out what you may call "inspiration." Look before you leap.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Base all your decisions on an impulse or a whim. Be sure you are right. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—It is possible to enlarge the scope of your activities. Expand your horizon and seek new adventures. You are sometimes wiser than one.

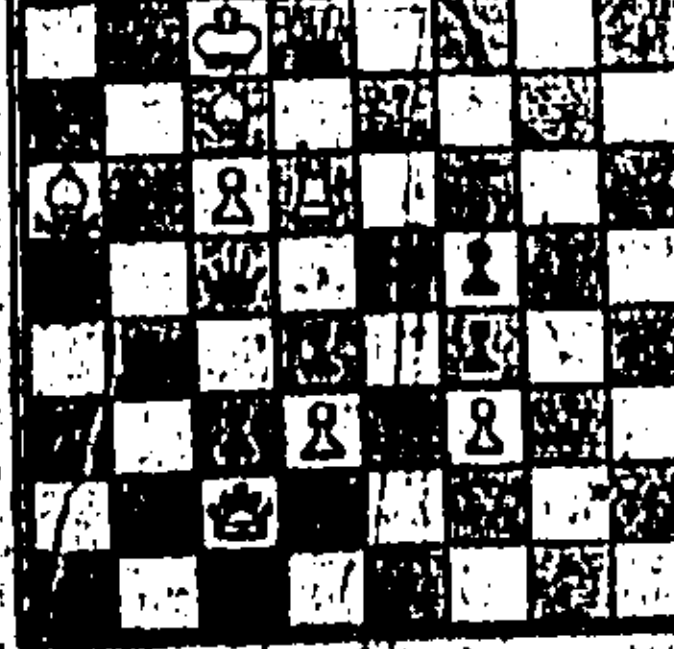
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—If you are able to help someone out with a problem, do so. You are sometimes wiser than one. PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20)—Conserve your energy. Do not waste it on others. It is the wisest idea just now. Don't try to be a hero. Never swallow every promise that is made to you. Be sure that you are not being deceived. You are important.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Balance your assets against your liabilities. You are well ahead of the game. GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Optimism pays dividends, so don't let old Man Pessimism get you. A smile can work wonders today. CANCER (June 22-July 22)—Have a good time, but don't try to pick up all the checks. Let others share. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)—If you have worked hard this month, results will really begin to show now. You are ahead of the game.

## CHESS PROBLEM

By A. J. LEVETT

Black: 7 pieces.



White: 8 pieces.  
White to play; mate in three.  
Solution to yesterday's problem:  
1. R-KK7, any; 2. Q-R, B, or K, mate.

## JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Use of Overcall Can Be Costly

NORTH			
♠	7 6 5 2		
♥	A 5 4		
♦	Q J 10 8 3		
♣	A Q 9 4		
	9		
	K Q 10 8 6		
	A K 4		
EAST			
♠	8 5 2		
♥	A K 8 6 4		
♦	3 2		
♣	A 9 8 2		
SOUTH			
♠	K J 10 7 3		
♥	Q 10 3		
♦	J 9 7		
♣	8 7		
Neither side vul.			
West	North	East	South
10	Pass	1	10
Double	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ K			

By OSWALD JACOBY

WHEN you make an overcall on a weak hand, you give the opponents a chance to collect a nice fat score. This is very pleasant for them if they happen to be far behind on the score. I might observe, however, that if you habitually make overcalls on weak hands you are seldom likely to be far ahead on the score.

The point is illustrated by a hand taken from a recent tournament. All of the players were experts, and therefore all of them should have known better. As we shall see, however, one of them didn't.

South's overall of one spade is a perfect example of a meaningless and nonsensical bid. The course of the bidding (a passing partner and two bidding opponents) makes it clear that the hand "belongs" to the enemy. The overcall by South gives the opponents their choice between doubling and continuing the bidding.

Moreover, if they decide to go on for a score of their own, they will have the benefit of knowing that South has a spade suit and a fair share of the missing high cards. When the hand was actually played, West very properly decided to double. Everybody passed, and South had a chance to play the hand at the contract of his own choosing.

West opened the king of clubs, shifted to the king of diamonds, and then led his singleton heart when he was allowed to hold the diamond. East took the king of hearts and returned his remaining diamond, allowing West to force out the ace with the ten of diamonds.

In dummy for the first and only time, declarer led a trump and finessed the Jack of West's queen. West cashed the ace of clubs and then led the queen of diamonds, took the ace of hearts, and led a third for West to ruff.

By this time South was down to four trumps. He hoped to win tricks with three of them, but even this consolation was denied him. West led another diamond, and East ruffed with the eight of spades. South had to overruff with the ten, after which West was sure to win two trump tricks with his ace and nine.

East and West chalked up 700 points for holding South to three tricks. It's perfectly true that East and West could have made a game, but that would have been worth considerably less than 700 points. To make the choice more blinding, at the other table the East-West pair failed to bid the game. Hence South's overall cost about 600 points!

## CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: South: West: North: East: 1 Spade 2 Clubs 2 Dms. Pass

You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-8-3, Hearts 8-6-3, Diamonds A-Q-2, Clubs 7-5. What do you do?

A—Bid two spades. You have a very sound opening bid and a strong, reliable suit, so you can well afford this bid. With only 13 points in high cards, however, you cannot afford any stronger bid.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades A-Q-8-3, Hearts 8-6-3, Diamonds A-Q-2, Clubs 7-5. What do you do?

Answer tomorrow

## A Junior Silhouette



By VERA WINSTON

A BEST seller silhouette in junior size dresses is the pinless line and it is nicely conveyed in this frock of soft blue wool jersey. It can be worn with or without the self belt and is cuter with a crinoline than without, in order to do right by a small waist. Double seams converge from the dropped shoulder line to a narrow waist and from there go on into gores in the skirt, with pockets cut into the gores. The knit angora collar and cuffs are in the same medium light blue.

## DUMB-BELLS



WHAT'S HIS LINE?

TOM ROMAN

Rearrange the letters to spell his occupation.  
(Solution on Page 10)

## BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

## A Funny Way to Take a Walk

—Knarf Does Just About Everything But That!—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, was taking a walk across the garden with his sister Hanid, who also had a turned-about name.

They hadn't been walking very long before Knarf started spinning round and round. Hanid looked at her brother in astonishment.

"Knarf! Why are you spinning round and round?"

"I'm pretending. I'm a top," he said, as he spun over to her side and stopped. "I'm tired of walking the ordinary way."

## One Trouble

Hanid said: "Yes, that's how a top would go. It always spins round and round. But there's one trouble with being a top, Knarf."

Knarf wanted to know what the trouble was with being a top. "You get dizzy," said Hanid. "That's right," said Knarf.

## Rupert and Ozzie—15

Mr. and Mrs. Bear were taken by surprise. "Well, I never expected Rupert would get such a chance," says Mrs. Bear at length. "You'll promise to take good care of him, won't you?"

## Twins Changed Her Mind...

What Happens To Bathing Beauties?

WHAT happens to the bathing beauties who make the public eager to buy the latest swimwear summer by summer? Do they go into retirement when the new crop of shapely girls comes along?

Mrs. Muriel Evans, stockbroker's wife, provides one answer. For Mrs. Evans, as Muriel Oxford, was one of the photographic models before the war.

She started modelling in 1934. Her first job was to show bathing suits in Holland. The Dutch found the result so appealing that Muriel Oxford made bathing suits her specialty. Then she went to free-lance photographic work, took a job as a show-girl too see America.

## FASHION SENSE

And then? Marriage — and twin sons. The twins made Mrs. Evans decide to give up modelling. Now there are three sons — Michael and Robin, aged 10, and Nicholas, 7. And today Mrs. Evans, the busy Highgate housewife, is getting them ready for the start of school term.

Mrs. Evans carries over into her new life the eye for fashion that she developed as a model. She makes her own clothes and can produce an elegant cocktail dress that she ran up for \$2.

Bathing suits today? Mrs. Evans proves when she spends her annual holiday family at Huisman that she can still wear a swim-suit creditably.

## Career Previews For Teen-agers

New York. When teen-agers buckle down to finding jobs this autumn, many may find themselves hampered in their search by a lack of practical, down-to-earth guidance.

A pattern for preventing this kind of disillusionment has been developed in the Youngstown, Ohio, area. There is, in the Mahoning and Shenango Valleys, (reports Steelways, official magazine of American Iron and Steel Institute) and organization sponsored by local industries which provides what might be called "career previews" for teen-agers while they are still in high school.

Besides giving young people a graphic picture of the numerous jobs available to them in the local area, this growing service group—known as the Industrial Information Institute—also shows them how they can help industry make real contributions to the community.



1903—Mrs. Muriel Evans, the stockbroker's wife, has tea with her three sons and a friend.

## Five Pleasing Sweets

By ALICE DENHOFF

JUST light sweet stuff today, delicious desserts to bring a pleasing, happy air into the dining room.

Quick Apple Mousse, easily prepared, is delicious, and a nice choice for that special dinner.

To serve 6, blend ¼ tsp. cinnamon into 2 c. thick sweetened apple sauce. Fold in ½ pint

heavy cream that has been whipped. Pile into one large or individual serving dishes. Cover top with finely grated chocolate (takes ½ square bitter chocolate), and a sprinkling of cinnamon. Chill several hours in refrigerator before serving.

Another Quickie

For another quickie that belies its easy preparation, start with a baker's loaf cake. Slice the cake horizontally into 3 equal-sized layers. Combine whipped cream and drained crushed pineapple; spread mixture between the layers, over the top and the sides of the cake. Sprinkle chopped walnuts over the top and chill in refrigerator until serving time.

For a party refreshment, make a fruit-meringue cake. Cover the top of a baker's angel food cake with the drained fruit from half a tin of fruit cocktail. Spread a heavy meringue over the fruit and sides of cake. Place it on a cookie sheet and bake in hot oven for 5 minutes. Top the meringue with the remainder of the drained fruit cocktail and serve immediately.

Frozen Lemon Pie

Next a delicious Frozen Lemon Cream-Pie-to-serve 8.

Beat one whole egg and 2 egg yolks together, reserving remaining 2 egg whites to use later. Add ½ c. sugar, ¼ tsp.

salt and ¼ c. lemon juice. Cook in top of double boiler over hot water until thickened. Cool. Beat the 2 egg whites stiff, then combine with one c. heavy cream that has been whipped. Add to egg yolk mixture.

Roll into 10 graham crackers; add ¼ c. softened butter and ¼ c. sugar. Blend well. Press half the crumb mixture firmly in bottom of refrigerator tray. Pour lemon mixture into remaining tray and top with remaining crumbs. Place in freezing compartment of refrigerator, and freeze firm without stirring. To serve, cut into wedge-shaped pieces.

Jiffy Banana Pudding

Graham crackers do their job again in a really good one, a Jiffy Banana Cream Pudding.

To serve 4, blend together 1½ cups each butter and brown sugar and 8 finely rolled graham crackers (¾ c. crumbs). Whip ½ c. heavy cream until just thickened; combine with one c. mashed ripe bananas. Spread half of the graham cracker mixture into 4 individual serving dishes. Top with banana cream mixture, then top with remaining crumbs. Chill until ready to serve.

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1953.

## JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

### Long Road Back

SOMETIMES the people who lived in the great block in the East End, that is known to those who live there as "the Buildings," wished that Edward had chosen some other occupation.

They admired him and respected him. They would have liked to lavish their affection on him too. But if you live in the Buildings it is not easy to bestow affection, deep, unqualified, lasting affection at any rate, upon the man who comes round every week for the rent, which was what Edward did.

Besides collecting rents from the tenants of the Buildings, Edward was their neighbour. He lived in one of the flats, and acted as caretaker of the block.

**MAN OF HONOUR**  
It came to him that he was everybody's friend, and always there was the sympathy. He knew where rent was in arrears, and by how much.

Yet one thing everyone could be certain of — secrets and shame, though they might have to be shared with Edward, would go no further. The fine-looking, sparely-built, white-haired rent collector was a man of honour.

He had never talked much about himself, but he had not been long in the Buildings before everyone knew as much about his career as if they had read it all in a reference book. They knew he had spent most of his life as a regular soldier, and finished up a sergeant in a famous regiment. They could tell you of the gallantry that won him the DCM, which some people say is more hardly won than the VC.

**MAN OF SECRETS**  
For a sometime sergeant Edward was, at 64, remarkably gentle in his official dealings with his neighbours; wonderfully understanding when things were difficult for them and he had to extract their money.

No one guessed that as Edward went his rounds each week, he too was finding it hard to keep head above water on the £5 10s wage he was paid for collecting £4,500 a year in rents and doing his job as caretaker.

He had his small pension besides, but even so, he could not make ends meet; and presently, he, like some of his neighbours, had a secret he would not have cared to share. He began to steal from the money he collected.

## Accused Man Gives Evidence At Murder Trial

Accused of throwing carbolic acid on a fellow worker who subsequently died as a result, Ng Cheuk, a 29-year-old fooki, commenced to give evidence at his trial before Mr Justice Rees at Criminal Sessions this morning.

Ng is accused of throwing corrosive acid at Mok Ha on June 18 this year. Both were fookis at the Sik Yin Lo Ink Shop, 363 Laichikok Road. Mok died after twelve days in hospital.

## Committal Proceedings Continue

Committal proceedings continued this morning at Central Court before Mr J.T. Morris against Ho Chung-foon, of the Fung Keung Rubber Factory, who is alleged to have killed a woman fellow-worker, Wu Kwai-lan, of 1, Yuen Hing Lane.

Det. Insp. Balle is prosecuting, assisted by DSI Chalmers. The younger brother of the dead woman, Wu Kwok-ping, of 17 Tung Chung Terrace gave evidence that he had last seen his sister on July 5 and she had then seemed perfectly normal. On the twelfth occurred had rung him up and said that she had not appeared at work, and enquired about her possible whereabouts. Then on the fourteenth he had been contacted by the Police and asked to go to Victoria Mortuary to identify the body of his sister, which he had been able to do from her figure, her clothes and her jewellery. Then he had gone to his dead sister's house and opened her basket, finding there \$150 in cash and a few other things.

Cho Siu-wing, who lived with the dead woman and slept in the same bed with her, then said that she had last seen her on the night of July 10, just after 10 p.m., when she had gone out saying she was going to Island Road in Sai Wan. She identified in Court the clothes and clogs that deceased had worn. On the fourteenth she had gone with the Police to the room they had shared and taken from her basket a small, round, white card, which she had handed over.

Lau Siu-ying, of 7 Yuen Hing Lane, another fellow-worker in the rubber factory, said that she had last seen deceased on July 10, when she had been wearing the clothes that the previous day had identified and also a gold neck-chain, which they had gone and bought together, some time before. She could not be sure if she had been wearing this neck-chain on July 10, though she went to court.

The defendant and Wu Kailan had often sat together in the rubber factory, Lau revealed, although she had never seen them together outside. On July 12 defendant had discussed with her Wu Kwai-lan's strange absence, having come up to her in the factory to do so.

The proceedings are continuing.

## Jealous Wife's Action

An errant husband caused his jealous wife to seek out the "other woman" and chastise her for association with her lawful spouse.

The "other woman", Li Han, resented the accusation and with the help of another man assaulted the ruffled wife, Chan Fung-shui.

Li who is Chan's co-tenant at flat 2, Teap Sat U Village, was fined \$50 or 10 days by Mr. T. Creedon at Kowloon District Court. For adding "injury to insult" in the form of a "black-eye" Chan was ordered to give Li \$20 compensation. She was also bound over for \$250 for one year.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Who's Beethoven? That's who Daddy thought you were when Mummy told him you charged \$7.50 a lesson!"

## Prison For Arms Possession

Four Browning .50 aircraft-type machine guns and 695 rounds of .50 ammunition were exhibited before Judge W. A. Blair-Kerr at the Victoria District Court this morning.

In the dock stood Wong Ping, alias Wong Kwok, 38, who claimed to be a former member of the Chinese Nationalist Army. He pleaded guilty to possession of the arms and ammunition without a licence, and breach of deportation order, and was given a total of three years' imprisonment.

The Police said that just after midnight on August 28, some Police officers on the East side of Ping Chau Island saw three men carrying one Browning machine-gun and two sticks of ammunition down the hillside towards the beach.

The accused was carrying one of the ammunition sticks. He was seen going up the hillside once more and return with another machine-gun. At this stage, the Police officers arrested him. The other two men escaped. With the help of the accused, two more Browning machine-guns were recovered on a spot in the hillside.

The machine-guns, which were American-made, were not capable of being fired except by electricity. His Honour was told. The guns on the whole were corroded, and parts were missing here and there, although the latter parts could be made workable.

**IN USELESS CONDITION**  
As to the ammunition, that was in such a condition that the Police ballistics expert was extremely doubtful if any of the cartridges could be used.

Wong Ping admitted a further charge of a breach of a deportation order dated March 27, 1950, when he was deported for 10 years.

In mitigation, he said he was formerly in the Nationalist Army, and was therefore unable to remain in China when deported. He was now a vegetable farmer in Ping Chau. The guns did not belong to him, and he was only helping to carry the arms and ammunition on behalf of one of those who had escaped.

Asked by Judge Blair-Kerr what the purpose was in transporting the things from the hillside, accused said he did not know.

The Police added that it was not known where the arms and ammunition had originally come from, or how long they had been on the Ping Chau hillside.

## The King Case: Seymour Re-Examined By Prosecuting Counsel

In his re-examination before Mr Poon Yan-hoi this morning, Mr M. H. W. Seymour, a Director of George Falconer and Co., Ltd. of Union Building, said that part of a sum which should have been paid to Arthur Holden in Australia remained in Mrs King's account.

Mr Seymour was testifying in the case against James Joseph Osbourne King, merchant, of 20 Braga Circuit, and a former Director of Falconer's, who is charged with alleged fraudulent conversion.

The hearing took place in the Chief Justice's court in the Supreme Court building. The case had been transferred there from Central Magistracy as a matter of convenience.

King, a shareholder of Falconer's, is alleged to have fraudulently taken the sum of \$3,305.94 for the use of his wife from the Company on November 17, 1950, whilst a Director of George Falconer and Co., Ltd.

The Hon. Leo d'Almeida, QC, and Mr A. J. Clifford are both for the Prosecution, instructed by Hastings and Company. Mr M. A. da Silva appears for the Defence.

Continuing the re-examination, which commenced yesterday, Mr Clifford said: Yesterday I was asking you to show documents which proved that Holden was making an untrue statement when he said the contract was direct with King and not direct with Falconer's. I forgot to draw your attention to one further document. This is a letter addressed to the Company — George Falconer and Co., Ltd. — and signed by Holden, dated February 13, 1950. It is an acknowledgement of the contract. It reads: "We desire to acknowledge order for Hong Kong Jockey Club badges. These have been put in hand so as to reach you by early October." It refers to samples of Chinese porcelain art and goes on: "Thank you for shipping units of Chinese silver charms." Will you say these were delivered to the Company and not to King and is signed by Holden?

Witness: Yes, it is signed by Arthur Holden and addressed to George Falconer and Co., Ltd. The reference to the Chinese silver charms is also a Company matter.

**MANAGER RESPONSIBLE**  
Yesterday you were saying the entry and cash book in the sundry creditors' account were the responsibility of King as manager. Who would be responsible for submitting the books to audit? — The manager, Mr King.

Whose responsibility would it be to see that these entries were correct for audit purposes? — The manager, Mr King.

Those entries both show the payment to Holden of the whole amount of money, \$21,193 10s. 6d? — Yes, both in the cash book and sundry creditors' book.

This amount is equivalent to HK\$5,515.82? — Yes.

In fact, you now know that only HK\$9,209.88 was paid to Holden? — Yes.

And you now know that the remainder, of that remained in Mrs King's account? — Yes.

Last time I was dealing with how you came to know about these individual facts. You mentioned the entry and sundry creditors' book and the invoice and cash book. You are also in possession of that cheque stub also purporting to show that the whole payment was made to Holden? — Yes.

**OTHER INFORMATION**  
Apart from these, did you at the time when you served the writ have any other information? — Apart from these documents which deal with the financial side, we also had a copy of the indent, and copies of the letters, one to Holden making the contract and one from Holden accepting the order.

And these were the sources of your information at the date of the issuing of the writ? — Yes.

At the time of the issuing of the statement of claim in O.J. action No. 39, dated March 28, 1952, on what date was it that you got the cheque to compare with the cheque stub? — I got this cheque from the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank on March 26, 1952. It got it because Falconer's were then tendering to the Hongkong Jockey Club to supply them with 1063 badges and it was brought to my attention by a member of the staff that the invoice for \$21,193 10s. 6d showed that the badges were for that year 100 per cent increase in price above the previous year, and that there was nothing on the Company's files to justify such an increase.

Did you then go to the Bank and get the cheque? — Yes.

Was it the first time you had ever seen that cheque? — Yes.

When you got that cheque by comparison you saw the cheque was for cash but the counterfoil was to Holden? — Yes.

Did you write to Holden about this? — Yes.

How many letters? — Two.

**NO REPLY**  
Did Holden reply to either of these letters? — No, sir.

You wrote to Holden prior to getting the cheque? — Yes, when we discovered the large increase of 100 per cent.

Apart from that information had you anything else, any other source of information, at the time the statement of claim was made? — No.

In particular, did you know at that time of the making of the statement of claim how much of the money on the cash in the statement of claim had been paid to Holden? Did you know what had happened to the money made out on that cash cheque? — No.

At that stage were you in a position to prove that King had taken any of that money before sending the rest to Holden? — No.

You were not in a position to say the whole of that was sent to Holden? — No, I had no knowledge.

So on the strength of the information as you knew it then it was pleaded as an undisclosed commission to King? — Yes.

And the defendant, who had the full knowledge of the transactions, pleaded that it was not a commission? — Yes, he did.

After that statement of claim had gone in, was there anything you could do immediately in the way of investigation? — The only thing I could do to investigate and the only thing I thought of was the Australian Trade Commissioner to whom I wrote.

Any other document which might have given you a lead as to how the goods arrived were missing from the files? — Yes.

**PHOTOGRAPHS**  
Your answer to the Australian Trade Commissioner pointed out that what Holden had said was untrue and that you attached photographs to show this? — Yes.

What photostats documents did you attach to show that what Holden said in his letter was far from the truth? — I attached Falconer's letter to Holden, the indent order, and Holden's acceptance of the contract.

When was the first time that you got to know that these documents had come through a bank, and how did you come to know about it? — The invoice which you already had in your files, if it had come through a bank, would have been stamped by the bank, but in fact that purported invoice, which you had in your files had no stamp on it at all? — It was, some time about September 20, 1952, when I was going through the petty cash file in Falconer's, with Mr Daly of Messrs Peat, Marwick, Mitchell and Co., the Company's accountants, that I came across a telegram which was a cable sent by George Falconer and Co., Ltd. signed by the defendant, and addressed to Holden at his telegraphic address, informing Holden that the badges had arrived but delivery could not be taken because no document had arrived. I then knew that a bank, Hongkong must have been involved in this transaction. Previously Holden had conducted business through the Bank of New South Wales, whose agents here are the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank.

That was a cable asking for information about what bank it had gone through. Was there any cable on Falconer's files showing any reply to that cable? — There was none.

In fact, you now know that King was able to get the document from the bank? — Yes.

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**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29**  
By Air  
India, China, France, French North and West Africa, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**  
By Air  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, USA and Canada, 8 a.m.  
India, China, 8 a.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 8 a.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Zanzibar, Ceylon, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.  
Formosa, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.  
India, China, 9 a.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 9 a.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
By Air  
Formosa, 1 p.m.  
Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, USA and Canada, 8 a.m.  
India, China, 8 a.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 8 a.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
Japan, 6 p.m.  
Zanzibar, Ceylon, 6 p.m.  
Thailand, India, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain and Europe, 6 p.m.  
Formosa, 6 p.m.  
By Surface  
Macao, 6 p.m.  
China, People's Republic, 9.30 a.m.  
India, China, 9 a.m.  
Australia, New Zealand, 9 a.m.  
Macao, 6 p.m.

## Radio Hongkong

6.00 Time Signal and Programme Summary; 6.02, Melody with the Stars; 6.30, Twilight Harmony; 7.00, First Hearing presented by Edward F. Hicks (Studio); 7.30, La Danté-Huere, Françoise (Studio); 7.50, Weather Report; 8.00, Time Signal and World News (London Relay); 8.10, Piano Recital by Nancy Chail (Concert Hall); 8.30, Forces Favourites (London Relay); 9.00, Musical Notebook presented by the Rev. Father T. P. Ryan, S.J. (Studio); 9.30, The Railway King—The Story of George Hudson, the Railway King (Studio); 10.00, Music across the Keys—Andre Previn with Rhythm Accompaniment; 10.10, At the Ball—Jazz Performance (Jacqueline O'Rourke); 10.30, "Pop" Quiz, conducted by Arthur Pickett; 10.50, Weather Report; 11.10, Goodnight News; 11.30, God Save the Queen; 11.50, Close down.

## Man's Fatal Fall

A 37-year-old man, Chiu Po, fell to his death this morning when he slipped off the roof of China Building, while doing repair work.

He died on the way to hospital.

## Heroin Smoker Fined \$525

A fine of \$525 or three months' imprisonment was imposed on Wong Kam-ching, a 38-year-old shipyard worker, by Mr T. Creedon at Kowloon District Court this morning for smoking heroin and possession of heroin and a heroin pipe.

Mr. W. Giller, told the Court, that Wong raised defendant's house at 245 Shipyard Street, ground floor, but night and found him smoking heroin.

A search revealed a pipe and two packets of heroin.

## Offered Cat Meat For Sale

Chan Shu-ying, a 38-year-old hawk, was fined \$5 by Mr T. Creedon at Kowloon District Court this morning for possession of three cat heads.

Chan admitted having displayed the meat for sale in Fuk Wing Street, yesterday morning.

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